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SUBJECT: USGS RESEARCH VESSEL POLARIS

DEPT PASS USGS/MCKELVEY ASAP

1. EXTAFF HAS INFORMED EMBASSY THAT PURSUANT TO PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED BY EXCHANGE OF NOTES, USGS HAS REQUESTED CLEARANCE FOR RESEARCH WORK, INCLUDING BOTTOM SAMPLING, IN FRAZER RIVER DELTA BY RESEARCH VESSEL POLARIS. IN CONNECTION WITH THIS RESEARCH, PORT CALLS IN VICTORIA-VANCOUVER AREA WERE ALSO REQUESTED.

2. CANADIAN GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH AGREED UPON PROCEDURES IS DOING EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO OBTAIN CLEARANCE FOR PORT CALLS, FIRST OF WHICH IS SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 7. USGS MAY ASSUME ACTUAL RESEARCH WORK WILL BE APPROVED. PORT CALLS COULD, HOWEVER, POSE NEAR IMPOSSIBLE PHYSICAL PROBLEMS. PORTS ON CANADIAN WEST COAST ARE CURRENTLY SUFFERING SEVERE CONGESTION DUE TO PILE UP OF GRAIN SHIPS CAUSED BY LABOR PROBLEMS.

3. IT IS THEREFORE REQUESTED THAT USGS INSTRUCT R/V POLARIS NOT REPEAT NOT TO ENTER CANADIAN WEST COAST HARBORS UNTIL POSITIVE CLEARANCE AND ASSURANCE OF BERTH SPACE CAN BE OBTAINED. CANADIAN AUTHORITIES REGRET COMPLICATIONS CAUSED BY SITUATION AND ARE STILL HOPEFUL THAT BERTH SPACE CAN ULTIMATELY BE ARRANGED. IN THE MEANTIME, USGS MAY WISH TO CONSIDER CONTINGENCY PLAN WHICH WOULD INVOLVE BERTHING IN NEARBY US PORT AND ARRANGING LAND

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TRANSPORTATION FOR DESIRED CONFERENCE WITH CANADIAN SCIENTIFIC

PERSONNEL.

4. EMBASSY WILL ADVISE PROMPTLY IF CLEARANCE FOR CANADIAN PORT
CALLS CAN BE OBTAINED. SINCE THIS CLEARANCE MIGHT COME AT THE
LAST MINUTE, REQUEST USGS PROVIDE EMBASSY WITH TELEPHONE NUMBER OF
OTHER MEANS OF CONTACTING, ON SHORT NOTICE, OFFICIALS RESPONSIBLE
FOR OPERATIONS R/V POLARIS.
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